

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2489 - HB 2586

February 18, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits unlicensed personnel from providing any health procedure that involves injections that penetrate the skin with a needle or any instrument.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$1,000,000 Recurring
\$40,000 - One-Time**

Other Fiscal Impact:

Increase Federal Expenditures -Exceeds \$1,000,000

Estimate assumes:

- A need to upgrade 30 positions in the Department of Health to licensed practical nurse in order to perform an estimated 75,000 procedures annually.
- A need in the Department of Health for 8 additional public health nurses to draw field blood samples for communicable disease testing.
- Increased cost in the TennCare program for contracting out such procedures in the Home and Community Based Waiver programs. The cost cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$2,000,000. According to the TennCare Bureau the Federal government is unlikely to approve these expenditures. This requirement could also place the state out of compliance with court orders in the state developmental centers.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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